

## **APOLLO-SOYUZ TEST PROJECT**

The Apollo-Soyuz Test Project (*ASTP*) was culmination of thirteen years of talks between Soviet Union and United States. *ASTP* was formally provided for in the agreement concerning Cooperation in Exploration and Use of Outer Space signed by President, Richard M. Nixon and Soviet Premier, Alexi Kosygin in Moscow on May 24, 1972. Although used unofficially after the May Summit, *ASTP* did not become the official designation for the joint flight until June 30, 1972. Many milestones needed to be accomplished such as crew selection, language training, docking module and launch vehicle testing, tracking and timeline simulations to name a few before launch.

This exhibit will show crew selection and training; prelaunch tests; launch, rendezvous and docking, recovery and finally the commemoration by many nations of the first joint space venture ever attempted.

### **EXHIBIT PLAN**

Title and exhibit plan, prelaunch testing	1 - 26
Launch, docking and splashdown	27 - 53
Worldwide Commemoration	54 - 80

### **Previous Awards for this exhibit: Apollo-Soyuz Test Project**

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| 1. VAPEX- 1992 bronze           | 11. BALPEX- 1999 silver/bronze               |
| 2. TOPEX- 1993 bronze           | 12. CHICAGOPEX- 1999 silver/bronze           |
| 3. SANDICAL- 1993 silver/bronze | 13. WSE- 2000 silver/bronze                  |
| 4. NOJEX- 1993 bronze           | 14. BALPEX- 2000 bronze                      |
| 5. MARCH PARTY- 1993 bronze     | 15. FRESPEX- 2001 bronze                     |
| 6. ROPEX- 1995 bronze           | 16. NAPEX- 2001 silver/bronze                |
| 7. NOJEX- 1995 bronze           | 17. ST. LOUIS STAMP EXPO- 2002 silver bronze |
| 8. BALPEX- 1995 bronze          | 18. VANPEX- 2004 silver                      |
| 9. NAPEX- 1996 silver/bronze    | 19. NAPEX-2005 silver                        |
| 10. NOJEX- 1999 silver/bronze   | 20. BALPEX-2005 bronze                       |